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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RE: PCT/EP00/00467
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Applicant: Sergio Milan
Title: USE OF FATTY ACID ALKANOLAMINE ESTERS AS
ANTISTATICS
Applicants' Reference: H 3891 PCT/US

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Before examination, in the national stage for the United States, of the above-captioned application under the Patent Convention Treaty, please amend as follows the translation supplied herewith of the application:

In the Specification:

Please delete all text above line 7, of page 1, and replace the deleted matter with the following new section headings and new paragraph:

--TITLE OF THE INVENTION

A1
Use of Fatty Acid Alkanolamine Esters as Antistatics

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

This invention relates generally to thermoplastics and more particularly to the use of selected nitrogen-containing surfactants as antistatic additives.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 8 and ending at page 4, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph: